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In purported news item datelined Washington, NATION September 9 reports President Kennedy "risks increasing international tension" by demanding right recall reservists. Article refers Salinger denial, but links move directly Cuba. Asserts it "one more proof" of extent to which President has become prisoner of financial groups which hitherto controlling Pentagon, have penetrated immediate entourage. Ascribing to these groups responsibility for endorsement of the "pernicious and dangerously anachronistic Monroe Doctrine" paper asserts latter has become slogan for "big business", which is pursuing policy of "elementary and aggressive isolationism." Paper implies in view of "the resounding failure of the Marshall Plan", this policy will also fail.

General burden of article is that errors of US policy led Cuba to ask Moscow for assistance which Washington gave Batista but refused Castro. It concludes that President's policy is dangerous reflection of the psychoses of Birch Society which has supplanted late Senator McCarthy.

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